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# PROPHESIES

Foretelling

The Alterations of the Time

*As also the Changes that will happen in the World.*

As First, What Wonderful things will come to pass concerning this Kingdom; to the great Amazement of all mankind.

Secondly, One strange and wonderful Prophecie, which particularly does mention what shall happen Yearly to several Kingdoms in the World, both by Sea and Land.

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Relating what past, present, and to come, particularly concerning the Subduing of *France*, and the downfall of the Tyrant the *French King*.

*Prophesies and Prognostications have been in all Ages of the World Esteemed by Authors of the greatest Credit imaginable, and great regard has been formerly had to them, and several of them (since the Prophets, Apostles, and Evangelists fell a sleep) has been extraordinary token notice of, which according have so fallen out as they were predicted by Men of Sence and Knowledge in the Cælestial Orders.*

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**H**E Propheesied in the Year 1696.  
How many Popes there should  
be, giving their names several  
titles and matters relating of  
them, which hitherto has been exactly  
verified, there being, according to his  
account, twenty-five as yet to come; and  
that in 1896. Popery shall cease.

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*Dr. Bouram's Propheſie of Months, ſignifying what ſhall happen in the Year 1696, and 97. to the general Amazement of all Mankind in divers places.*

*January.*

God bleſs the Kingdom of *England* and the Rulers thereof, in their various Counſels and Debates under conſideration, for matters of great Conſequence are now in Agitation. If the *Trine* of the *Sun* and *Jupiter*, and the *Trine* of *Mars* and *Mercury* be of any Credit, the moſt generous and active Spirits of our Nation act vigorously, not only to prevent impending Evils, but to ſettle Affairs, and to remove their Obſtructions which at this time are in way to our Prejudice.

*February.*

Good News arrives; and things ſeem to come to a happy concluſion, which have been long under conſideration. The *Conjunction* of *Saturn* and *Mercury* will ſtimulate ſome ſcandalous and injurious Policies, Books or Writings, chiefly intended by the Authors and Promoters thereof to introduce Sedition, Jealouſy & fears, but the *Trine* of *Jupiter* & *Mercury*, with the *Trine* of *Mars* and *Venus* will ſet all in order again.

*March.*

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The main Sea shall boisterously swell with mighty tempests, so that the banks being overthrown, the waves shall in many parts overflow their bounds, & cause great Inundations, one Island shall be quite overflowed by the sea, where the Double Cross hath the Government, the sins of the Prince or Rulers thereof, being so extreme high against the Majesty of God.

*April.*

In the South-East part of the world, a nation shall fight a great battle in a wrong cause, to defend an evil man, but the vengeance of God will rain down showers of fire from the Throne of Heaven, and consume that Army wholly, with all their wealth and treasure, even as they abide in their tents.

*May.*

War and blood-shed over all the earth, a certain nation shall send so many men for the wars, that it shall for a time be even desolate of men, so that twelve women shall be glad of one man, nay, hardly procure one young man amongst them.

*June.*

So great a drought and want of water, will

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will appear, that multitudes of people will dye in many places for thirst, Soldiers shall not be able to carry their Armour, the Earth shall be so dry and so parched with the Sun, that it shall not yield ought to feed the Cattle.

*July.*

A terrible Sea Fight, such as has not been before, causing the waters to look more red than the Red-Sea, the water all turning like blood.

*August.*

Great Plagues and mortality will cover the face of the earth, and so destroy mankind, that there will want Labourers to get in Harvest, or the fruits of the earth.

*September.*

The season of this month will be unnatural, and the Earth so unfit for tillage, that Cattle will rot on the ground, which will breed such store of Flies and Vermin, that the Earth will be impoysoned, and receive no Fruit to increase.

*October.*

A great Famine and Dearth of Corn will over-spread some nations of Europe, so that the Child shall starve at the Mothers breast, the mother having no food to nourish her self.

*November.*

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One appears unexpectedly, a great Conqueror ; the world filled with the Fame of this man, who suddenly, like *Augustus*, gives Peace to the whole Earth.

*December.*

All wars end, Religion truly Preached Universally over the world ; a general Peace, no more treason or rebellion, not long after, the trumpet sounds, and the world dissolves.

*Another by the same Astrologer.*

An antient friend of his asking him, amongst other discourse, what he thought of a persecution of the church, of which he had heard some so earnestly speak : to which the Astrologer feeling reply'd, *that such a Persecution was to come upon the church of England, Scotland, and Ireland, as likewise upon all the protestants of Europe, & that he might certainly expect it, to which the Gentleman answered, that he believed the civil wars might have terminated the Prediction, to which he answered, no, for that it should be by the Papists, saying, Fool not your self, for I tell you, all that you*  
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have yet seen, has been but a beginning of sorrow, to what is yet to come upon the Protestant Churches of Christ, who will, e're long fall under a sharper Persecution than has been ever yet upon them, and a Worshipper in the temple for *Christ* will measure those that profess his Name, and call themselves his people, & the outward worshippers he will leave out to be trodden down by the *Gentiles*, the outward court, says he, is the Formal Christian, whose religion lies in performing the out-side duty of Christianity, without having inward Life and power of Faith & love, uniting them to *Christ*, & those God will leave to be trodden down & swept away by the *Gentiles*, but the worshippers within the temple, are those who indeed worship God in spirit and in truth, whose souls are made his temples, and he is honoured and adored in the most inward thoughts of their hearts and sacrifice their lusts and vile affections, yea, & their own wills to him; and these God will hide, whilst the Evil be over-past, and this shall be one great difference between this last & all other proceeding Persecutions, for in the former the most Eminent ministers & pious Christians

ans did suffer most, but in this last Persecution they should be preserved of God as a seed, to partake of that glory which shall immediately after come upon the church, even as soon as the storm is blown over; for as it shall be the sharpest, so it shall be the shortest, & shall only take away the gross Hypocrites, and formal Professors, but the true Spiritual believers shall be preserved till the dreadful Calamity cease.

*This famous Astrologer did likewise predict the Destruction of a great many Cities & towns in France.*

‘ That William of Nassau, King of Great Britain, should sail over into his territory of France, & should make a great Conquest there, & reduce his Rebellious subjects intirely to his Obedience, and that James Stuart (the late Monarch, for not walking in the ways of his Father) should be taken prisoner, & so remain for six months, & then fall sick & dye. But yet the wars among the European Princes would not be ended for one year after, till another great person was subdued,

'died, which shall be looking over a Ca-  
 'stle-wall, and a shot shall take him thro'  
 'the head, and then the Castle shall be  
 'surrendred upon terms, and all other  
 'places that stood out should immediatly  
 'surrender; so that then *England, Scot-*  
 'God will delight in, and bless them  
 'with peace for many years.

*Another strange and wonderful Prophecie.*

**I**T is not unknown to most who are  
 pleased to take cognizance of wonders  
 and strange miracles, which this present  
 age doth frequently represent, that of late  
 years we have been exceedingly astonisht  
 at several (to us strange and seldom heard  
 of) much to be admired wonders. But  
 now prepare your ears to hear the most  
 amazing and most unparalel'd miracle  
 that ever *England* was made sensible of,  
 or I think the whole world was ever made  
 acquainted with; nay, so wonderfully  
 strange, and seemingly impossible to be  
 true, that though it be attested with ma-  
 nifold assertions it cannot lodge in the  
 breast of the incredulous, as an unquesti-  
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onable verity. But to proceed to the matter intended, and not too much to derogate from my designed business, let this inform the most doubtful & unbelieving Reader, that there is lately an account ~~Tent from Flanders of the strange manner~~ of the coming of one man into a City of Germany eminently known by many travellers, to be one of the Cities not least accounted of in Germany, this person of such an age (as he says he is) no less to be admired for his great age, than for his strange kind of Prophecies, which he daily parts with; and his manner of coming into the City, which we are informed was invisible; but to come to particulars, this person doth affirm, that his age is greater than ere was heard of, for he doth say he is above two hundred and fifty year old; and says that he hath the spirit of truth in him; with many other assertions, no less full of wonder than that you have already heard of in the preceeding lines: His manner of apparel is no less to be admired than his manner of discourse, of such habit as we are informed he doth wear, was never seen by mortal eyes, his Deportment is also very strange, for he walks

walks up and down the City, preaching and admonishing to serious Repentance, and giving admirable advice to the people to forsake their iniquities, & to return from their evil ways, *For (says he) the wrath of*

*so adds, that the City of Rome is a second Sodom; and that the transgressions of the people have ascended up to the Heavens, and approached the ears of the Almighty and that nothing can preserve them from approaching misery, but speedy and unfeigned Repentance; without which, he doth assert, and in three years the City shall be utterly destroyed and consumed by fire: by our last advice we are informed that this man had continued there for the space of eight days, preaching about the City: the Magistrates being offended at his Doctrine, have forbid him to preach; but he took no more notice of it than to return this answer, that he was sent from God, to move the people to Repentance, and to abandon those iniquities, which if not desisted, would doubtlesly pull down vengeance upon them in a short time. After this order was given for his confinement; which being performed, he was frequently*

visited

visited by several Jesuites, who discoursed with him in several tongues, namely, the *Latin, Hebrew, and Caldean*, wherein he was exquisitely perfect. He also acknowledges that he knows well such as live loose and wicked lives. ~~He is not over~~ curious in his Diet, yet ~~his~~ <sup>his</sup> cate and general food is nothing but dry bread; and his strongest drink is water only. He prophesies of many strange things, and the time when all the wickedness in the world should have an end, & every one shall serve the Lord and worship the God of Heaven; then nation shall no more rise against nation, nor Kingdom against Kingdom, all the world shall be at peace: being asked by some of the amazing people, whose astonishments were as great as his answers *strange* How long it would be before this blessed day would come? his reply was absolute, & about the 1699 should certainly be the end of all wickedness in the world: all Nations shall live in the fear of the Lord, all the world shall be at peace. His strange and unknown coming into this City was admired by all; at last he was examined by the Magistrates from whence he

he came : he answered, that he came from a place called *Galadium* in *Damas*, a City of *Gallilea*, and a messenger of the *Almighty*, sent to preach Repentance to the sinful world. but the Jesuits not at all pleasurably Perswaded their Magistrates, to condescend to what they so earnestly Requested, which is, that he is very well acquainted with what shall be his Portion, and what shall become of him; and that he looked upon it altogether unnecessary to be so loaded with questions but did acknowledge that he was very desirous to see the Pope, and so without any difficulty and with great ease, breaking out into a passion, he filled the Spectators with astonishment, as Report of the wonders will certainly fill with amazement, all those to whom this matter shall be communicated.

*He also Prophefied as here follows.*

**A** Certain Prince as Religious as a Turk, shall overspread that Peoples territories, and War & Desolation will be occasioned by the unruly Nobility, who

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who by their Civil Dissentions shall occasion the Ruin of the *French* monarchy ? and if you would know near the time of this great mutation, it shall be when a certain King called *William* is twice made a King, and a Duke of *Florence* turns Protestant, this Prophecie seems to hint at the present juncture, though written so many years since, in consideration the *English & Scottish* Nation have unanimously proclaimed & submitting their crowns to *William Henry* his present majesty : so that he maybe said twice to be made a King.

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